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<u>Present law</u> requires a health insurance issuer providing a health insurance plan, not including excepted benefits policies, to maintain a network that is sufficient in numbers and types of health care providers to ensure that all health care services to covered persons is accessible without unreasonable delay. Places various requirements upon issuers, including the requirements to ensure reasonable proximity of participating providers to furnish all contracted health care services, and to maintain a directory of its network of providers.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that nothing in <u>present law</u> shall be interpreted to prohibit establishing, by regulation, a set of standards to measure network adequacy, from specifying periodic reporting that demonstrates compliance with the standards and engaging in a targeted review of the adequacy of an insurer's network to meet the needs of its covered persons. The alternative to annual reporting in law is not applicable to the reporting or review in <u>proposed law</u>.

Effective January 1, 2023.

(Adds R.S. 22:1019.2(F))